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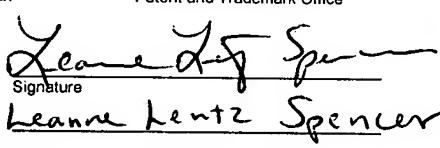
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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified patent application. Applicant requests that the period for responding to the March 23, 2007 office action be extended one (1) month from April 23, 2007 to May 23, 2007.

Applicant claims small entity status. Therefore, the appropriate fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1) is \$60.00. A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

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